IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA AT CHANDIGARH.

C.W.P. No.2049 of 2007

Date of Decision: 8.2.2007.

Dr.Satinder Pal Singh and others

....Petitioners.

Versus

State of Punjab and others

...Respondents.

CORAM : Hon'ble Mr. Justice J.S.Khehar.
Hon'ble Mr. Justice S.D.Anand.

Present:- Mr.Gagandeep Singh,Advocate
for the petitioner.

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J.S.KHEHAR, J.(ORAL)

The petitioners, through the instant writ petition, claim annual grade increments in the Master Pay Scale of Rs.10025-15100/- after completion of four years of service. This claim is being sought by the petitioners on the strength of the decision rendered by this Court in Doctor Ravinder Singh and others Versus State of Punjab and others (C.W.P. No.7288 of 2005, decided on 11.5.2006).

Learned counsel for the petitioners contends that in order to seek the redressal of their afore-stated claim before the Authorities, the petitioners had earlier issued a legal notice dated 2.6.2006 (Annexure-P6). It is further pointed out that no decision has been taken thereon till date.

Learned counsel for the petitioners states that the petitioners will be satisfied if the instant writ petition is disposed of with a direction to respondent No.1., Secretary, Department of Health and Family Welfare,

Punjab, requiring him to take a final decision on the afore-stated legal notice dated 2.6.2006 (Annexure-P6).

In view of the above, without going into the merits of the claim raised by the petitioners, we consider it just and appropriate to dispose of the instant writ petition with a direction to respondent No.1 i.e. Secretary, Department of Health and Family Welfare, Punjab, to take a final decision on the legal notice dated 2.6.2006 (Annexure-P6) by passing a well reasoned speaking order within two months from the date of receipt of certified copy of this order. It would be appreciated that if respondent No.1 while passing the afore-stated order takes into consideration the decision rendered by this Court in **Dr.Ravinder Singh's case (supra)** as well as, any other relevant judgment on the point. In case the petitioners are found entitled to any monetary benefits, the same shall be calculated and released to them within a further period of one month. It is further clarified that the petitioners shall be entitled to arrears limited to the period of three years and two months, before the filing of the instant writ petition. It is also clarified that the instant writ petition came to be filed on 7.2.2007.

Disposed of accordingly.

Order dasti on payment of usual charges.

(J.S.KHEHAR)
JUDGE

(S.D.ANAND)
JUDGE

February 8 ,2007.
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